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SUBJ: HUNGER STRIKERS IN MONTERREY SEEK WHEREABOUTS OF "POLITICAL
PRISONERS"

1. SUMMARY: ON AUGUST 28, SEVEN PRISONERS IN NUEVO LEON STATE
PENITENTIARY COMMENCED HUNGER STRIKE. OBJECT IS TO GAIN INFORMATION
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON WHEREABOUTS OF VARIOUS PERSONS CAPTURED
BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES, OR RELEASE OF SAME. END SUMMARY.

2. HUNGER STRIKE AT NUEVO LEON STATE PRISON INVOLVES SEVEN OF
22 ACTIVISTS HELD HERE. STRIKERS ARE: MIGUEL TORRES ENRIQUEZ;
ISADORA LOPEZ CORREA; JORGE RUIZ DIAZ; FERNANDO RUIZ DIAZ; JOSE
LUIS SIERRA VILLARREAL; SERGIO MANJARRES CEPEDA; AND LUIS ANGEL
GARZA VILLARREAL. STRIKERS, WHO BEGAN ACTION AUGUST 28, CLAIM THEY
ARE STRIKING IN COOPERATION WITH OTHER PRISONERS THROUGHOUT MEXICO
TO OBTAIN RETURN OF POLITICAL DETAINEES WHO HAVE DROPPED FROM SIGHT
IN MEXICO.

3. DIRECTOR OF STATE PRISON IS REPORTED AS SAYING AUTHORITIES WILL
MAKE NO RPT NO ATTEMPT TO FORCE STRIKING PRISONERS TO DO "ANYTHING
THEY DO NOT WISH TO DO". HE ALSO REPORTED THAT NO AMERICAN PRISONERS
ARE AFFECTED BY STRIKE, AND THAT SO FAR, NONE OF THE STRIKERS NEEDED
MEDICAL ATTENTION DUE TO EFFECTS OF DEHYDRATION. DIRECTOR STATED
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SIMILAR STRIKES ARE OCCURRING CURRENTLY AT OTHER PENAL INSTITUTIONS
IN MEXICO.

4. MONTERREY PRESS REPORTS HUNGER STRIKE BY 80 WOMEN FROM GUERRERO
STATE AT MEXICO CITY METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL WITH SIMILAR MOTIVATION.
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